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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As this is being written, it is snowing outside making it very hard to think of Spring but here goes.

Seed catalogues will be coming out soon so we can start thinking about what to plant. We could have Spring in February like last year or in May as we are told it should be – according to the old adage to not plant until the full moon in May. The new flowers shown in the catalogues are great to look at and pass the time until ordering and planting.

Thank you to Liz Lunney for looking after the Community Garden and to all the volunteers who participate. There will be more information later on this great programme. It is a joy to see this going so well.

Stay tuned to our bulletin and our website for upcoming functions and programmes to get involved in. We try to have something for everybody.

'Til next month.

Kim Stainsby, President



Dance, dance, dance....enjoy learning line dances in a very relaxed atmosphere. No experience required for the Beginner level!

Classes are held every Wednesday evening at the Richmond/Knob Hill Community Hall starting at 6:30 pm. We're taking a break over Christmas, but will be starting-up again January 11th 2017! Cost is just \$10/person/class and Drop-ins are welcome!

For more info contact Diane at 403.470.9868 or visit our website at www.linedancestampede.com

### **RKHCA NEWS**

**Shinny Hockey Tuesdays** - Bring your helmet, stick and skates between 5 - 6pm on Tuesdays for kids under 12 years ... Helmets are required! Feel free to contact Lloyd info@richmondknobhill.ca for more information.

Drop-in Play Group twice a week at the Community Hall The play group has been a community tradition for over 30 years. Parents, grandparents, and caregivers are welcome to drop by the community hall every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30am to 11:30 with pre-school aged children. Activities include crafts, singing, circle time, and outdoor play in the fenced playground. Visit www.richmondknobhill.ca for more information

**Sparks Sports Mobile:** 3-5 year olds Aftercare Fitness Program at the Community Hall. Classes are held on Tuesdays from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Tuition \$10 per class, 10 weeks session - Visit www.richmondknobhill.ca for more information

Line Dance Stampede: Dance, dance, dance.....enjoy learning line dances in a very relaxed atmosphere. No experience required for the Beginner level! Classes are held every Wednesday evening at the Richmond/ Knob Hill Community Hall starting at 6:30 pm. Cost is just \$10/person/class and Drop-ins are welcome! Visit www.richmondknobhill.ca for more information

Last but not Least: **Timbits Soccer 2017!** registration is expected to start soon. Make sure you have renewed your membership at Richmond Knob Hill Community Association by visiting www.richmondknobhill.ca

To find out more, sign up to our email updates (automatic with a 2017 membership) or visit Richmond Knob Hill on Facebook

### **NEW COVENANT CHURCH**

Sundays 9:30 am

Richmond/Knob Hill Community Centre

All are welcome!



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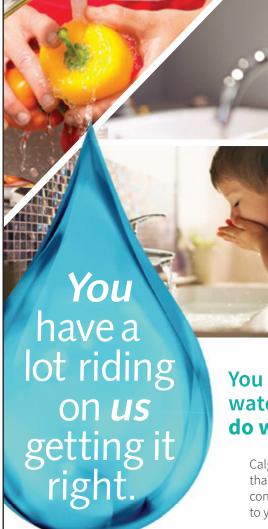
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# Re-Tree YYC is Coming!

#### What is Re-Tree YYC?

The primary goal of Re-Tree YYC is to work with residents to encourage the proper planting and maintenance of our urban forest. By helping communities plant and maintain trees on both public and private property, we hope to make the city landscape better for generations to come.

### Why RKH?

Richmond Knob Hill was chosen as one of the 25 ReTree Communities for 2017. These 25 communities where chosen based on many factors, the main ones being storm damage, open canopy space and community interest. The plan is to plant trees and provide the community with free tree education programs so that residents can learn to care for their own trees.

#### **Tell Me More About the Education Sessions**

The education sessions are booked for Thursday evenings starting May  $4^{\text{th}}$ , 6:30-8:00pm in the RKHCA Skate Shack Flex Room. Below is a brief description of each presentation.

### Stretch your Roots - Guided Walk

The Stretch your Roots tree tour is 'poplar' among all ages and we encourage you to bring out your whole family for an hour and half of tree-filled fun. The tour is customized to highlight the native and non-native, heritage, unique trees found within RKH. The kids will have a great time completing tree bingos and scavenger hunts while experiencing all our Urban Forest has to offer. The tour is focused on the identification of trees in our community and tree care and maintenance tips to ensure your private trees reach their full maturity and 'budding' potential. Learn about tree history in the City of Calgary and the influential people that have shaped our Urban Forest. Join us for a relaxing and educational walk around our stunning community!

### Max capacity: 20

### **Pruning & Disease 101**

Have you ever pruned your trees and were not sure if you were doing it right? Have you looked at your trees and noticed they aren't as healthy as they use to be and wondered what could be happening to them. Pruning & Disease 101 will cover what you need to know before "making the cut" as well as cover common tree diseases in Calgary, what they look like, what treatments can be used and where to go for more information. This is a beginner to intermediate course, but also a great venue for community experts to help educate their neighbours and discuss community tree care. After this course you can feel confident pruning and maintaining the health of your trees.

Still have questions? Don't worry! There will be plenty of time for Q & A with a certified City of Calgary Urban Forestry Technician at the end of the presentation.

### Max capacity: 30

**The Under Story** – presented by the Calgary Horticultural Society

Is the area around your tree lacking that certain spark you envisioned? The Under Story program will help you achieve the lush and scenic garden, around your trees, that you've always wanted. Discover a variety of plant species that are guaranteed to beautify the space around and below your trees. Learn how to plan and create the understory of your dreams and get design tips from the experts at the Calgary Horticultural Society. Learn how to maintain your understory and understand why no understory is complete without the addition of compost and mulch.

### Max capacity: 20

**Gardening with trees and shrubs in mind** - presented by the Calgary Horticultural Society

Have you recently acquired a new garden or looking to 'spruce' up an existing one? The addition of a tree or shrub can be the backbone of your garden design, elevating it to the next level of enjoyment. Join us in Gardening with Trees and Shrubs to discover the variety of attractive and hardy species available to revamp your home and garden. Learn to maximize the health of your tree and/or shrub by understanding the various microclimates within your garden, water conservation strategies, and the importance of mulch. Did we miss something? Don't fret; there is an opportunity to ask questions at the end of the presentation to ensure everyone feels confident about the fresh addition to their property.

#### Max capacity: 20

Email info@richmondknobhill.ca to be added to the email distribution with timely updates on Re-Tree YYC planting news and the final program schedule.



Pre-School fun twice a week at the Community Hall

The play group has been a community tradition for over 30 years. Parents, grandparents, and caregivers are welcome to drop by the community hall every Tuesday and Thursday between 9:30 and 11:30 am with pre-school aged children. Activities include crafts, singing, circle time, and outdoor play in the fenced playground.

The play group takes a summer break during the months of July and August. We welcome Grace who will be starting as a new playgroup volunteer in September. Please contact Elena at 403-992-1050 or email info@richmondknobhill.ca for more information.





### **DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE**

### ML33 Appeal Update

The Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB) has now issued its written decision in respect of RKHCA's appeal of the approved development permit for a 5-storey, 135-unit condo development at 2418 33 AV SW. As you may recall, the issues raised in the appeal included:

- 1) excessive density/intensity -- the number of residential units on the parcel would be increased from 15 to 135, well beyond the maximum allowed under the parcel's previous M-C1zoning or contemplated under the recently approved Marda Loop Area Redevelopment Plan (the "MLARP"), which is intended to govern, and establish a vision for, the redevelopment of the Marda Loop business district;
- 2) excessive size/mass -- the building would not comply with the side set back and side and front upper storey step back requirements under the Land Use Bylaw and the MLARP, its Floor Area Ratio(FAR) would exceed the maximum FAR contemplated under the MLARP and it would have no significant articulation along its extremely long front facade;
- excessive overshadowing -- single family homes across the rear lane would receive no sun in their south-facing main floor windows for an estimated 2.5 months per year, from early November to late January;
- 4) inadequate public realm -- the minimum 6m wide front boulevard/sidewalk as called for by the MLARP is not provided for;
- 5) main floor uses -- no retail/commercial uses on the main floor, and not designed to allow for future conversion to retail/commercial, as called for by the MLARP:
- 6) traffic, vehicle access and transit -- the proposed relocation of the existing NB restrictor at the intersection of 33 Avenue SW and 22 Street SW would likely lead to increased traffic tie-ups on 33 Avenue SW and increased cut-through traffic on 22 Street SW; and
- 7) trees -- inadequate proposed trees -- mainly Swedish Columnar Aspen, which would never have a meaningful canopy, and Siberian Larches, which although coniferous would not provide any winter colour or windbreak as they lose their needles in the fall.

The SDAB decision allowed the RKHCA's appeal in part

by requiring the following changes to be made to the plans for the proposed development:

 replace the Siberian Larches with another species of coniferous tree that does not lose its needles in the fall.

That's it. No changes to address the excessive density/intensity. No changes to address the excessive size/mass. No changes to address the excessive overshadowing of adjacent single family homes. No changes to address the inadequate publicrealm. No changes to address the lack of main floor retail/commercial, or even futureconvertibility to retail/commercial. No changes to address the traffic, vehicle access and transitissues. Wow.

Apparently it doesn't matter that the proposed development fails to comply with several key provisions of the MLARP, and fails to even come close to satisfying the overall "vision" for the Marda Loop business district, as set out in Section 2.1 of the MLARP (annotations added):

Marda Loop is envisioned to become a vibrant, successful area that will cater to both residents and visitors alike. Through mixed-use development(NO) and modest increases in density(NO), the area will incorporate a desirable mix of residences(NO), shops(NO), and offices(NO)that enhance the livability of the area during the day(NO)and at night(NO). A high standard of urban design will respect the existing community character through human-scaled buildings(NO) and by providing sensitive transitions to the adjacent residential streets(NO). The area will feature a pleasant, walkable public realm(NO)with wide sidewalks(NO), street trees(A FEW), attractive lighting(NO)and street furniture(NO). Marda Loop will continue to be a desirable place to live, work and play(QUESTIONABLE).

This is the first major development proposal to be submitted for approval since the MLARP was approved by City Council in 2014, and therefore is the first major development that should have been designed to comply with the MLARP vision and requirements. Unfortunately, this developer decided not to follow the MLARP vision, but rather to maximize both the size of the building and the total number of units. That is disappointing, but not entirely unexpected, as developers are business people

and as such maximizing profits is often their primary objective. What is incredibly disappointing is that neither City Administration, nor Ward 8 Councillor Woolley, Ward 11 Councillor Pincott and the rest of City Council, nor the SDAB were willing to step up and require this developer to change their plans to make the proposed development consistent with the MLARP vision.

If you get the sense that we are unhappy, you are correct. The MLARP may not be a very robust Area Redevelopment Plan, as it was developed through what was referred to as an "ARP-lite" process rather than a full and proper ARP process. However, the MLARP is (at least in part) the product of considerable public and community engagement, and at the moment is all we have to work with to help the Marda Loop business district achieve its potential and become a vibrant, pedestrian-friendly Main Street. To see City Administration, City Council and the SDAB allow this developer to run roughshod over the MLARP is just heartbreaking, and hugely disrespectful to the Richmond and Marda Loop communities.

We will leave you with a couple of questions to ponder. Why does the City bother taking communities through the costly and time-consuming process of putting Area Redevelopment Plans in place if it doesn't care whether developers pay attention to them or not? And why didn't our Ward 8 and Ward 11 City Councillors do more to defend the MLARP's vision for the Marda Loop business district?

### ARE YOU AN ASPIRING VOLUNTEER?

### But don't know how to get started?

Do you have a Talent You Can Offer? But don't know who to call?

Want to get involved in your Community?

Here's an easy way!

Just complete this form and forward it so we know what you can do.

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Forward completed form to: info@richmondknobhill.ca.

## IN & AROUND SCHOOLS

### **Richmond Elementary School**

As we near the halfway mark of the school year, it is time to remind community members that our Kindergarten registration is now open and children are eligible to register if their 4<sup>th</sup> birthday is on or before March 1, 2017. Early registration assists our staffing for next school year. Please call 403-777-8380 ext'0' to register or for more information on our school.

Richmond Child Care Association is also located at the school and can offer before and after school care. There is room for all school age children within the program. If you are interested, please call 403-249-1470.

February is a busy month at the school, as report cards go home, and some of our students will partake in field trips, including a visit to the Inglewood Bird Sanctuary, and the Glenbow Museum!

This year, we have encouraged our teaching staff to join Twitter to help tell the story of education in their classrooms. Are you also on Twitter? Give us a follow @richlearningcbe, or follow the hashtag #richlearningcbe, and see what our young learners are up to.

Duncan White, Principal

# **Community Rink**

Thank you to the many volunteers who make our community rink possible.

We had perfect ice through the holiday season that made for some fun family skating and more than a couple father/son hockey games.

The heavy snowfall before Christmas made it a challenge to keep the ice clear. Fearless families chipped in to clear some fun skating loops on the snow-bank-rink until our regular rink volunteers returned from holiday travels or recovered from a bout of the flu.

If you have an interest and time to join the volunteer RKH Rink Rat crew give us a shout at info@richmond-knobhill.ca. We'd love to hear from you.















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### **Combating Homelessness**

On average, there are some 3,000 people who are homeless every night in our city. Homelessness is a reality for too many Canadians and a challenge for every Canadian community. Our government believes that all Canadians deserve access to affordable housing that meets their needs.

It's why my colleague in cabinet, Minister Jean-Yves Duclos, committed to creating a National Housing Strategy. Last year he released a report on the initial stages of this strategy – the result of consultations with non-profits, front-line workers, Canadians, and experts in the field. You can read more on the strategy at his website, www.LetsTalkHousing.ca.

Closer to home, it was my honour to be able to announce \$1.8 million to the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness. This grant will be used by this local, Calgary-based organization to train workers in 42 communities across Canada in the Housing First program. It's one part of the plan to work on this important file.

In the last decade there has been a growing gap in what we've done for Canadians struggling with homelessness.

One such example is the terms and conditions of the Homelessness Partnering Strategy that have not evolved at the same pace as need since 1999. Budget 2016 invested an additional \$111.8 million in the Strategy to help homeless Canadians find stable housing. This investment will provide more resources to tackle homelessness, and increase support for vulnerable groups.

Fundamentally, this government intends on reestablishing federal leadership in housing. The federal government is taking steps to create better housing outcomes for all Canadians. To give Canadians greater access to affordable housing, Budget 2016 increased the Government's investment in affordable housing by \$ 2.3 billion over two years. This funding is in addition to annual federal investments of close to \$2.3 billion

toward pre-existing housing program commitments – creating critical, long-term investments that will better our country moving forward.

In addition, our National Housing Strategy, which will cover the entire housing continuum, including homelessness, will be launching in 2017. The strategy will provide stakeholders with an inclusive long term framework which will ensure stability and predictability for our housing partners. Again, I invite you to give a gander at www.LetsTalkHousing.ca as Minister Duclos continues in his good work.

We believe that there is a role for government and one that is active in supporting Canadians. I am proud of the work of our government and am inspired by the tireless dedication that non-profits, non-profit staff, and regular Canadians put into making our country a better place for all.

As always, you can contact my office by email at kent. hehr@parl.gc.ca or by phone at 403.244.1880. My office is located at 950 6 Ave SW and my door is always open to you. You can follow my work in Parliament online and sign up for my e-newsletter at www.KentHehrMP.ca.

# Calling all Snow Angels

(or anyone that knows one)

The RKHCA has a used snow blower that is no longer needed for clearing the rink. We'd like to donate it to a worthy recipient. So, we'll be accepting nominations for the month of January at the email info@richmondknobhill.ca with the title "Snow Angel". To be considered, please write a brief note indicating why you or someone deserves it and how it will be used and a phone number to contact you. (If you wish to nominate yourself, please include contact of someone you have helped out). The RKHCA will review the applications and either select one candidate or hold a draw if too many candidates exist. The snowblower is a little finicky and is best for someone who is a bit of a tinkerer. The RKHCA thanks every Snow Angel for helping a neighbour.



### **MEMBERSHIP MADE EASY**

Richmond Knob Hill: A place to have fun. A place to think big. A place to call home.

We invite you to take out a membership with your Community Association. Fill out the form below or register online through the RKHCA website.

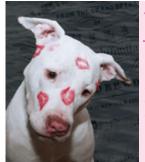
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# **BOARD MEETINGS**

The Board of Directors for the Richmond/Knob Hill Community Association meets on the second Wednesday of every month starting at 7:00pm, in the Skate Shack



### Valentine's Trivia

Based on retail statistics. about 3 per cent of pet owners will give Valentine's Day gifts to their pets.



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The arrival of February means longer days and more time to spend outdoors with family or friends. And if you are like me and enjoy Alberta's natural beauty, then be sure to mark February 21 on your calendars because starting then you can make reservations at camp sites across Alberta. You can reserve a spot online at Reserve. AlbertaParks.ca or by phoning the Contact Centre at 1-877-537-2757 (toll-free in North America). Till then happy skiing!

February is also when Albertans celebrate Family Day. First celebrated in 1990, Family Day has become an opportunity for many Albertans to spend time with their families. However, if you have to work this holiday to provide for your family it is important that you be fairly compensated for doing so. If you are unsure, I encourage you to call the Employment Standards Contact Centre at 780-427-3731 or 1-877-427-3731. Many have also asked about other initiatives our government is taking to help Alberta families. I am pleased to report here that the government is currently assessing proposals to create 18 new child care facilities that will directly support Alberta working families. The government anticipates that successful applicants will be notified in March 2017. Be sure to watch for this announcement!

On the doorsteps of Calgary Currie many of you have told me being a Climate Leader is important because it helps diversify our province's economy. In early January qualifying households should have received their first payment of Alberta's Climate Leadership Adjustment Rebate (ACLAR) - a tax-free amount paid to low and middle income individuals and families - that is designed to help you adjust to the new provincial carbon price. A variety of programs and services provided by Energy Efficiency Alberta are also being implemented to ensure that we remain Climate Leaders. For more information on the installation of energy-efficient products or small scale renewables for your home, business, non-profits, or institutions please contact the agency directly at

1-844-357-5604 (toll-free). In addition to these measures, the new Capital Investment Tax Credit is designed to encourage timely capital investments that offer opportunities for economic growth. The first application period began January 16 and will end later this month on February 15. For more information on how to apply please contact: CITC.program@gov.ab.ca.

February's arrival also means that my colleagues and I will be returning to the legislature where I work hard to represent the interests of you and your family. For me to do this well, it is important that I hear from you directly. That is why you will see me out door knocking at every opportunity or speaking with your neighbours at community events. I want to take this opportunity to thank each of you for sharing your hopes for Alberta with me, and in particular, to those of you who returned to my office the mail-out surveys that you received in December. And as always, if you have any additional questions, concerns, or would like me to attend an event in your community, please do not hesitate to contact my office by phone (403-246-4794), by email (calgary.currie@assembly.ab.ca), or in person (2108 B -33 Avenue SW).

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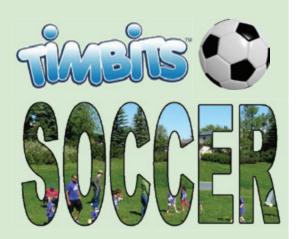
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### 2017 Community Timbits Soccer

Timbits is a parented program for 4 to 8 year olds who want to learn soccer basics, have fun and meet new friends. The program runs once a week on **Saturday mornings – 10 am to 11 am in May and June.** Each session lasts 1 hour. The playing fields are the Killarney dry pond (2828 28 St SW) and the Richmond school pitches.

The cost is \$40.00 per child plus membership with your local community association. This program is for the primary benefit of Killarney Glengarry, Richmond Knob Hill, Bankview and Rutland Park/ Currie Barracks residents.

Registration will be announced on Community association Facebook pages and websites and can be expected to start on February 15th on www.richmond-knobhill.ca

For more information contact Cecilia at communications@richmondknobhill.ca



Richmond Knob Hill Community Association 2433 26 Ave SW Calgary, AB T2T 5Y5





### Richmond-Knob Hill Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Richmond-Knob Hill MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
December 2016	\$989,900	\$940,000
November 2016	\$789,900	\$769,000
October 2016	\$784,900	\$790,000
September 2016	\$699,900	\$699,900
August 2016	\$659,800	\$639,000
July 2016	\$695,000	\$685,000
June 2016	\$785,900	\$755,000
May 2016	\$714,400	\$706,000
April 2016	\$799,950	\$765,000
March 2016	\$689,900	\$675,000
February 2016	\$574,450	\$555,000
January 2016	\$650,000	\$625,000

### Last 12 Months Richmond-Knob Hill MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
December 2016	5	7
November 2016	9	7
October 2016	13	9
September 2016	17	7
August 2016	10	7
July 2016	11	11
June 2016	12	10
May 2016	15	12
April 2016	15	12
March 2016	13	5
February 2016	18	4
January 2016	14	1

To view more detailed information that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **richmond.great-news.ca** 

### BUSINESS CLASSIFIEDS

or business classified ad rates call Great News Publishing at 403-263-3044 or sales@great-news.ca

**NEPTUNE PLUMBING & HEATING LTD:** Qualified journeymen plumbers/gasfitters, very experienced in Richmond and Knob Hill. Upfront pricing. Reliable, conscientious, fully guaranteed. Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 5:00 pm. 24 hour emergency service call 403-255-7938. "Showering you with great service."

RIGHTWAY PLUMBING AND HEATING: Has been happily serving the Richmond | Knob Hill area with quality work, happy clients and fair pricing; with second generation experience, there is no job we can't handle. Furnaces, softeners, garburators, appliances, humidifiers, faucets, water heaters, bathroom renos and gas lines also! Installed with great warranties. Call 403-968-6630.

HOME BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY: Clinicair is the leading provider of Indoor Air Quality and Medical Grade Duct Cleaning services in Canada. We are looking for a dealer in Calgary to represent our growing company. We offer a royalty free business. Clinicair supplies you with the latest technology, and training. Call Craig: 1-416-277-6067.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD CONFLICT?** Community Mediation Calgary Society (CMCS) is a no cost mediation and conflict coaching service that can help you resolve problems and restore peace! We help neighbours be neighbours again! www.communitymediation.ca, 403-269-2707.

**FLOW IS A DIFFERENT KIND OF HAIR SALON:** Relax into soft jazz, fine art, and a chaos-free atmosphere. Jay Lamb has 30 years of experience in salons such as The Ginger Group and Angles. FLOW is a home-based salon in the Marda Loop area. Haircuts \$52. 403-281-1704. www.flowhairsalon.com.

**K2 BOOKKEEPING:** Are you too busy to keep up with your bookkeeping? Experienced bookkeeper now accepting new clients. Specializing in small to medium sized business. Twelve years of experience with Quick-Books and Simply Accounting, GST, Payroll, WCB Filing, T4 Filing, and competitive rates. Phone Katie 403-870-0737.



Councillor, Ward 8
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Phone: 403-268-2430

### **Community Traffic Safety Meeting**

Recently, my colleagues and I on City Council requested that the Calgary Police Service work with Administration to develop a Community Traffic Enforcement plan. One of the most important elements of creating this plan is to take time to meet with communities to both educate and get feedback on concerns and areas where residents feel enforcement is needed. It could be the need for more painted crosswalks, a pedestrian refuge at a busy intersection, or widened sidewalks and I know that no one knows the neighbourhood better than its residents.

Ward 8 will be hosting our Community Traffic Safety Meeting in **March** and I'd love to see members of every community come out to help us make our roads safer for everyone. You can find information about the date and location on our website: www.calgary.ca/ward8

#### **Assessment – Customer Review Period**

As many of you likely know, property tax assessment notices were mailed as of the beginning of January. Last fall, Council unanimously agreed to a 0% municipal tax increase for 2017 in response to the financial struggles that so many Calgarians have been facing recently. When you receive your assessment, ensure that the factual information that is on record for your property is right. This can mean that the square footage is correct, that any listed additions or renovations have been properly marked, etc. Also, make sure that it seems to be a reasonable estimate of market value (for property) as of July 1 of the previous year. And, that it is equitable compared to similar properties or premises.

The Customer Review Period runs from January 5 – March 6, 2017. In this time, if you have any questions or concerns about your assessment, you can contact the Assessment department at 403-268-2888. If you have questions about setting up a Tax Instalment Payment Plan, you can contact 3-1-1. Both mine and your property taxes go towards paying for crucial services like Police, Transit, Fire, Roads, Parks and more. There's no doubt that we are in a difficult economic climate, the reality is that Calgary as a city is still growing. Last year alone we saw an increase of approximately 40,000 people to the city and an increasing population means an increased need for services and infrastructure. Feel free to contact my office at ward08@calgary.ca or 403-268-2431 if you have any questions or concerns.

# Richmond/KnobHill mybabysitterlist

Name	Age	Contact	Course
Emma	16	403-220-1537	Yes
Emma	16	587-777-3614	Yes
Evelyn	50	403-714-3969	Yes
Kayley	16	587-215-8683	No
Lachlan	12	403-921-5043	Yes

### **Calling All BABYSITTERS**

Enroll free at mybabysitter.ca and choose the Calgary communities you would like to babysit in.

### Calling All PARENTS

Visit mybabysitter.ca and find available babysitters in and around your community.

**Disclaimer:** We recommend for your own peace of mind that references be checked when choosing your babysitter. This babysitter list is provided as a service to the community and is governed by the terms & conditions outlined at mybabysitter.ca.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

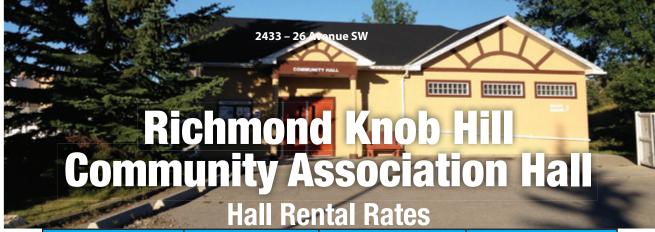
### Deadline – 1<sup>st</sup> of each month for the next month's publication Contact news@great-news.ca

- Free announcements: lost/found, household items for sale, wanted, garage sale, student/senior services, etc.
- ◆ Forty word limit

**FOR SALE – DOWNSIZING:** Just like garage sale in my residence. Too many items to list. Something for everyone. Call Ernest Jones 403-255-1955

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The Calgary Performing Arts Festival seeks volunteers for the 2017 Festival, April 18 to May 6 at Mount Royal University. Positions are available mornings, afternoons, evenings and Saturdays. For more information contact Holly at 403-283-6009 or volunteer@cpafestival.ca.





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	MEMBERS*	NON-MEMBERS	ADDITIONAL NOTES	
Hall Rentals – Daytime 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	\$100 flat or \$20/hr (min 2 hours)	\$125 flat or \$25/hr (min 2 hours)	\$100 damage deposit if food or alcohol served	
Hall Rentals – Weekday Evenings (Sun-Thurs) 6:00 pm to 2:00 am	\$60 flat or \$20/hr (min 2 hours)	Non-Members :\$75 flat or \$25/hr (min 2 hours)	\$100 damage deposit if food or alcohol served	
Hall Rentals - Weekend Evening (Fri & Sat) 6:00 pm to 2:00 am	\$360 flat	\$450 flat	\$450 damage deposit	
Rink Rentals (closed at 9:30 pm)	Rink only: \$40 for 1.5 hours, shack access incl. Rink & Hall: \$80 for 1.5 hours rink with access to shack + 2 hour Hall rental	Rink only: \$60 for 1.5 hours, shack access incl. Rink & Hall: \$100 for 1.5 hours rink with access to shack + 2 hour Hall rental	\$20/hr for additional time \$100 damage deposit for Hall only.	

### HALL RENTAL INFORMATION

The Richmond/Knob Hill Community Hall is a new facility with a full kitchen, sound system and large meeting room (licensed capacity 120). This is a beautiful location for hosting birthdays, wedding or baby showers, team parties, or meetings. We have plenty of parking for all your guests. There is an adjacent play-ground, sports field, and an ice rink.

# VISIT OUR WEBSITE

The RKHCA Website is updated bi-weekly with community events, development updates, hall rental calendars and online newsletter access. Community Association news such as meeting minutes and membership information are also available for your convenience.

http://richmondknobhill.ca

The Community Hall offers competitive rates for rentals. Community Association members may rent the hall for a discounted price.

For more information on hall rentals, please call Lola at 403-474-3845 or email rentals@richmondknobhill.ca.

#### **ADDITIONAL NOTES**

- \$100 Booking Fee required to hold a booking reservation. Cancellations permitted with no penalty up to 30 days prior to the event. Booking Fee will be forfeited if cancellation received less than 30 days prior to the event and a new renter cannot be found.
- Rent and damage deposit required 14 days in advance of the event.
- Proof of insurance & liquor permit required if alcohol served at the event. Liquor permit & insurance the responsibility of the renter.
- Hall to be cleaned during rental time. Additional cleaning charge of \$25/hr if not returned to the same condition accepted.
- If there is damage to the facility, the damage deposit will not be returned until the cost of repair or cleanup has been determined.
- \$30/hr + materials or commercial cost of repair to damaged facility or appliances.
- \$100 if hall left not secured or doors left unlocked.
- \$100 lost, broken or late return of keys.

# Pipelines Approved.

Get the full update at www.KentHehrMP.ca/pipelines



This is how we build pipelines. After pounding the pavement in the election, earning the trust of Calgary Centre, and taking the movement to Ottawa, we pounded the table for a better way forward.

Calgarians and Albertans alike have been waiting for this announcement for a long time. After a decade of inaction, we are finally seeing progress on this file thanks to the leadership of our Prime Minister and my cabinet colleagues. **We are moving forward** on Canada's energy future.

 Kent Hehr, MP Calgary Centre

Below is what we are doing to make sure we bring both the environment and our economy together.

Read more about Canada's Pipeline Plan at www.KentHehrMP.ca/pipelines.

- Investing \$1.5 Billion into a world-leading Oceans Protection Plan to protect our coasts, rather than cut ocean science and monitoring programs like the previous government.
- > Reforming the NEB to ensure that it reflects regional views and has sufficient expertise in relevant fields like environmental sciences, community development, and traditional Indigenous knowledge.
- Implementing a price on carbon pollution — like the one supported by Preston Manning and others — to not only create a vibrant innovation economy but to reduce harmful carbon pollution.



An update from Kent Hehr, your Member of Parliament for Calgary Centre www.KentHehrMP.ca | 403.244.1880 | kent.hehr@parl.gc.ca 950 6th Avenue SW. Calgary. Alberta. T2P 1E4